

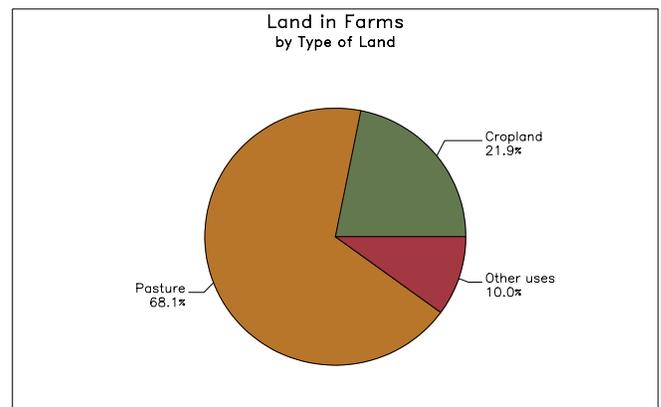
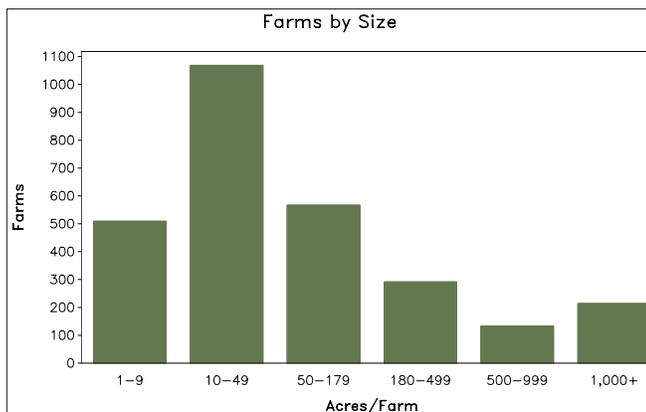
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

San Luis Obispo, California



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	2,784	2,322	+ 20
Land in Farms	1,369,604 acres	1,318,142 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	492 acres	568 acres	- 13
Market Value of Production	\$560,607,000	\$396,394,000	+ 41
Crop Sales \$522,274,000 (93 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$38,334,000 (7 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$201,368	\$170,712	+ 18
Government Payments	\$4,492,000	\$2,951,000	+ 52
Average Per Farm	\$19,701	\$11,051	+ 78



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Ranked items among the 58 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	560,607	17	58	48	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	522,274	15	58	21	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	38,334	21	57	983	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	48	(D)	2,933
Tobacco	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(-)	(-)	13	(-)	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	189,713	10	55	13	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	204,011	17	56	22	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	121,550	9	56	23	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	157	35	56	1,308	3,020
Cattle and calves	28,693	12	57	446	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	47	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	125	13	54	1,321	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	948	16	56	126	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	2,933	7	55	50	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	46	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	103	36	55	985	2,875
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	56,830	19	57	474	3,060
Horses and ponies	8,816	4	57	17	3,066
Sheep and lambs	8,810	15	56	124	2,891
Goats, All	6,909	6	56	48	3,023
Rabbits and their pelts	(D)	3	48	(D)	2,574
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Grapes	39,616	9	52	9	2,040
Vegetables harvested, all	29,819	11	55	29	2,794
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	17,883	19	57	1,142	3,060
Barley for grain	11,228	1	30	83	1,154
Broccoli	8,205	3	35	4	855

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	843	Farming	1,380
\$1,000 to \$2,499	184	Other	1,404
\$2,500 to \$4,999	251		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	218	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	264	Male	2,173
\$20,000 to \$24,999	93	Female	611
\$25,000 to \$39,999	180		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	87	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	221		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	203	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	109	American Indian or Alaska Native	51
\$500,000 or more	131	Asian	103
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	517,763	Black or African American	11
Average per farm (\$)	185,978	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	12
		White	4,237
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	75,957	More than one race	36
Average per farm (\$)	27,284	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	337

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.